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FROM MCHENRY AND PETTERSON

E.O. 11652: X-GDS-1
TAGS: PDEV, WA
SUBJ: NAMIBIA; CONTACT GROUP VISIT TO LUANDA

1. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT CONTACT GROUP TALKS WITH NETO
COULD BE HIGHLY USEFUL WITH REGARD TO OBJECTIVES OF WESTERN
FIVE INITIATIVE MN NAMIBIA. BECAUS OF SCHEDULED MPLA PARTY
CONGRESS, THE ANGOLANS HAVE TOLD US IT WOULD BE INCONVENIENT
TO RECEIVE CONTACT GROUP DURING OUR CURRENT TOUR OF FRONT LINE
CAPITALS AND PRETORIA.

2. IN VIEW OF THIS, WE REQUEST DEPARTMENT AND USINT HAVANA
CONSIDER ADVISABILITY OF DISCUSSING THIS WITH CUBA
GOVERNMENT AND SEEKING CASTRO'S ASSITANCE IN GETTING
ANGOLANS TO RECONSIDER. NEGOTAITED SETTLEMENT OF NAMIBIAN
PROBLEM AND CONSEQUENT WITHDRAWAL OF SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS
FROM THE TERRITORY WOULD BE IN EVERYONE'S INTEREST.

3. IT COULD BE POINTED OUT THAT OUR MEETING IN LUANDA NEED
TAKE ONLY FEW HOURS AT MOST, AND THAT THEREFORE DIVERSION
OF NETO FROM HIS PARTY CONGRESS BUSINESS WOULD BE VERY BRIEF.
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GIVEN OUR CURRENT ITINERARY, EITHER NOVEMBER 28 OR 29 WOULD
BE MOST CONVENIENT, BUT WITH SUFFICIENT ADVANCE NOTICE WE
WOULD REVISE OUR TRAVEL PLANS IF NEED BE.
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